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For: STORAGE DEVICE, STORAGE	)		
DEVICE CONTROLLING	)		
METHOD, AND PROGRAM	)		

San Diego, California  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Dear Sir or Madam:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants make the below-listed documents of record in the above-identified application. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, this statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made, and is not a representation that the information cited is effective as prior art to the application or is material to patentability.

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Pursuant to MPEP § 609A(3), Applicants enclose an Action of the Japanese Patent Office in a counterpart application and an English language translation of the Action. The following patent documents are discussed in the Action:

1. JP H6-139140 A, applicant Intel Corporation, published May 20, 1994 ( with English language abstract) and
2. JP H10-83309 A, applicant Sony Corporation, published March 31, 1998 (with English language abstract).

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Copies of the above-listed documents, which are listed on the accompanying Form PTO/SB/08 (submitted in duplicate), are enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that these documents be (1) fully considered by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the examination of the above-identified application; and (2) printed on any patent which may issue on this application. It is also respectfully requested that a copy of Form PTO/SB/08, upon being considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned to the undersigned with the next communication in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 609.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b). Therefore, it is believed that no fee is required in connection with this submission. If a fee is required, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2298, in the name of Luce, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps LLP.

Respectfully submitted,

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